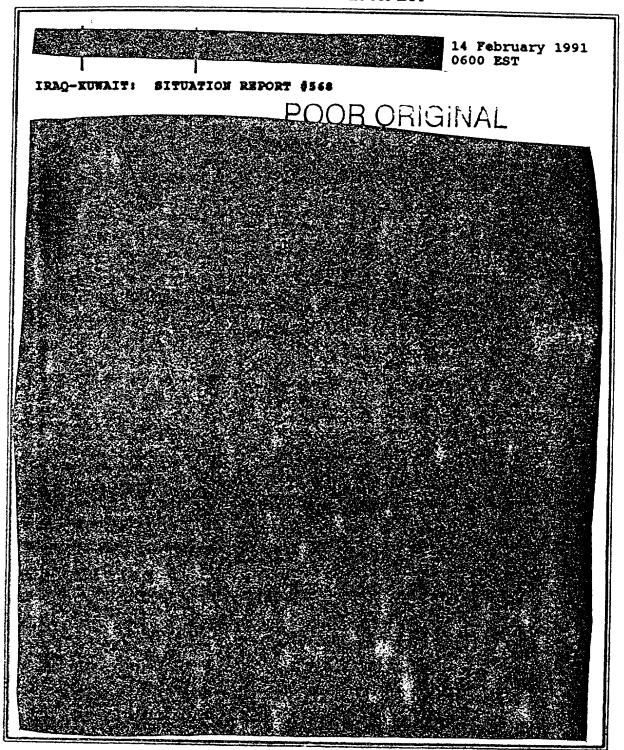


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UN Security Council Meets Today on Gulf

The UN Security Council will hold a private meeting at 1100 EST today to discuss the Gulf crisis, according to the US Mission to the UN. The press and the public will be barred from the meeting but verbatim records of each session will be publicly released. According to US officials, at least twenty UN delegations have signed up to speak. Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Qatar will lead off the discussion, followed by Iraq, Japan, China, UK, and Iran, among others.



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